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Bee project launched in Tibati

That the debate about looted cultural property is not just about restitutions is demonstrated by a bee project that has now started in Cameroon. After the Lamido of Tibati visited Bremen in the fall of 2022 to discuss the future of the 150 or so objects looted from Tibati in the Übersee-Museum's collection, the desire for cooperation became clear. In planning with the city and the University of Bremen are several agricultural projects, one of which has now been launched with funds from the “Rest-Cent” campaign: the bee initiative of Dr. Mazi Sanda.

He has been researching honey production in northern Cameroon for some time and guides the beekeepers there. Through adapting traditional technologies, training beekeepers and the resulting increase in the quality and quantity of the honey, the value chain can be improved significantly. In view of climate change, the sustainable development of beekeeping is also taken into account. This is an important pillar of Cameroon's agricultural economy and an important source of income for a large part of the local population.



My favourite object

Malte Hampe, Head of Carpenter at the Übersee-Museum

Moin! My name is Malte Hampe. As head of the carpenter at the museum, I am very familiar with our exhibitions and the exhibits. Despite the sheer number of possibilities, it was easy for me to choose my favourite object:

The coast redwood is a true wonder of nature and has fascinated me ever since I was a child. Back then, I could hardly believe that trees could grow so big and be so old! This tree originated around 370 BC and lived to be over 2,300 years old. The slice of the trunk, which is on display in the permanent exhibition “What makes the world go round” impresses with a diameter of around 4.5 meters. Nowadays, I walk past it almost every day and cannot help but look at it every time. It reminds me how tiny and insignificant we humans are compared to such a natural wonder. This tree has witnessed so many thousands of years of earth’s history and we are only a small part of it – I wonder how the person who felled this tree thought about it.

Übersee-Museum is a new member of Museums for Future

We are pleased to be part of the “Museums for Future” network!

With our exhibitions, we want to inspire visitors about the beauty and diversity of the world! This also means that we want to encourage them to play a part in preserving this diversity and protecting the climate. Nevertheless, we are also doing a lot behind the scenes and we are working to reduce CO₂-emissions. Sustainability is a long-term process that is becoming the “new normal” in the museum world. By joining the MFF, we want to network with like-minded museums in order to work together for more sustainability in museum operations. We now have the chance to find new ways.



The countdown is on: Digital platform for the future Oceania exhibition goes live soon

Since 2021, we have been testing this digital project together with our cooperation partner, the National University of Samoa (NUS). We have been testing new ways of international collaboration and digital access to the museum's Oceania collection.

In spring 2024, the time has finally come and the multimedia project platform goes online! What do people in the Pacific region associate with the objects here in the museum? What touching stories hide behind the objects that we did not know about until now? Change your perspective and find out the exciting background to a mammoth project that is unique in this form in the German museum world. You do not want to miss the launch. We will keep you up to date on the website!



www.uebersee-museum.de/en/about-us/projekte-positionen/oceania-digital

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Digital offers

You can also explore the museum online! Whether as an addition during a visit to the museum or from home: Our multimedia guide to all areas of the exhibition provide exciting information for young and old. Adventurous themed rallies also awaken the spirit of discovery. Another digital highlight: a virtual tour through the Übermaxx open storage. The museum depot houses the everyday and the curious – from a fish-skin anorak and the flightless parrot Kakapo to the silverware from the North German Lloyd or a two-fingered sloth.

There is free WIFI throughout the museum!



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Family day
February 17, 2024

Chinese New Year

Welcome the Year of the Dragon with us! The Chinese New Year 2024 is considered the year of new beginnings. In cooperation with the Confucius Institute Bremen, a colourful program for young and old awaits the visitors: From hands-on activities, craft activities, short guided tours of the Asia exhibition to short beginner courses and concerts, there is something for everyone. Individual offers for paper cutting or calligraphy round off the program.

Highlight
May 25, 2024

Long Night of the Museums

Once again, the Übersee-Museum Bremen invites visitors to the Long Night of Museums with a varied program for an adventure trip around the world. In a special atmosphere in the late evening hours workshops, guided tours, insights behind the scenes and music await visitors. At midnight, the classic highlight is back: a guided tour with Director Prof. Dr. Wiebke Ahrndt on the Mexican cult of the dead.

The Übersee-Museum – The diversity of the world under one roof

The Übersee-Museum focuses on the diversity of life, coexistence and perspectives on our world. Unique exhibitions of cultural history, masterful animal dioramas and real plants invite you to marvel. The visit takes you from Asia with its legendary Silk Road to the African savannah to the Americas. The exhibitions do not follow a set itinerary – visitors are invited to freely explore the museum.

Many museum treasures from the collection, which is unique in Europe, as well as the neighbouring visible storage “Übermaxx”, are waiting to be explored. In the exhibition “Tracking the Past” the museum takes a critical look at its colonial past. Until winter 2024/2025, a new Oceania exhibition about life in the Pacific Rim is being built. For a lingering break, visit the koi pond and enjoy the tranquil atmosphere. Strengthen yourself with food you brought in our Africa Café, in the picnic corner or round off your visit to the museum in the Restaurant “Übersee”.





EXTENDED
UNTIL JUNE 2, 2024

**Large special exhibition
until April 28, 2024**

Buddhism

Buddhism is one of the great religious traditions of humankind. Meditation, mindfulness, yoga – many Buddhist practices have found their way into our everyday life. However, where did Buddhism begin? How did it spread throughout the world and what is the attraction for Western audiences? Based on around 250 objects from the museum's collection, the special exhibition "Buddhism" explores the unbroken fascination for this world religion. From magnificent Buddha figures, elaborately constructed textiles to ritual objects: Visitors can expect extraordinary highlights from Myanmar, Thailand, the Silk Road region, China, Japan and Tibet.

On the journey through the world of Buddhism, visitors will experience the memorable events of the night of Buddha's awakening, immerse themselves in the meditative atmosphere of a Zen garden or marvel at the monumental sacred sites that have shaped the history of Buddhism.

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New term:
July 5, 2024 – January 5, 2025

Cabinet exhibition

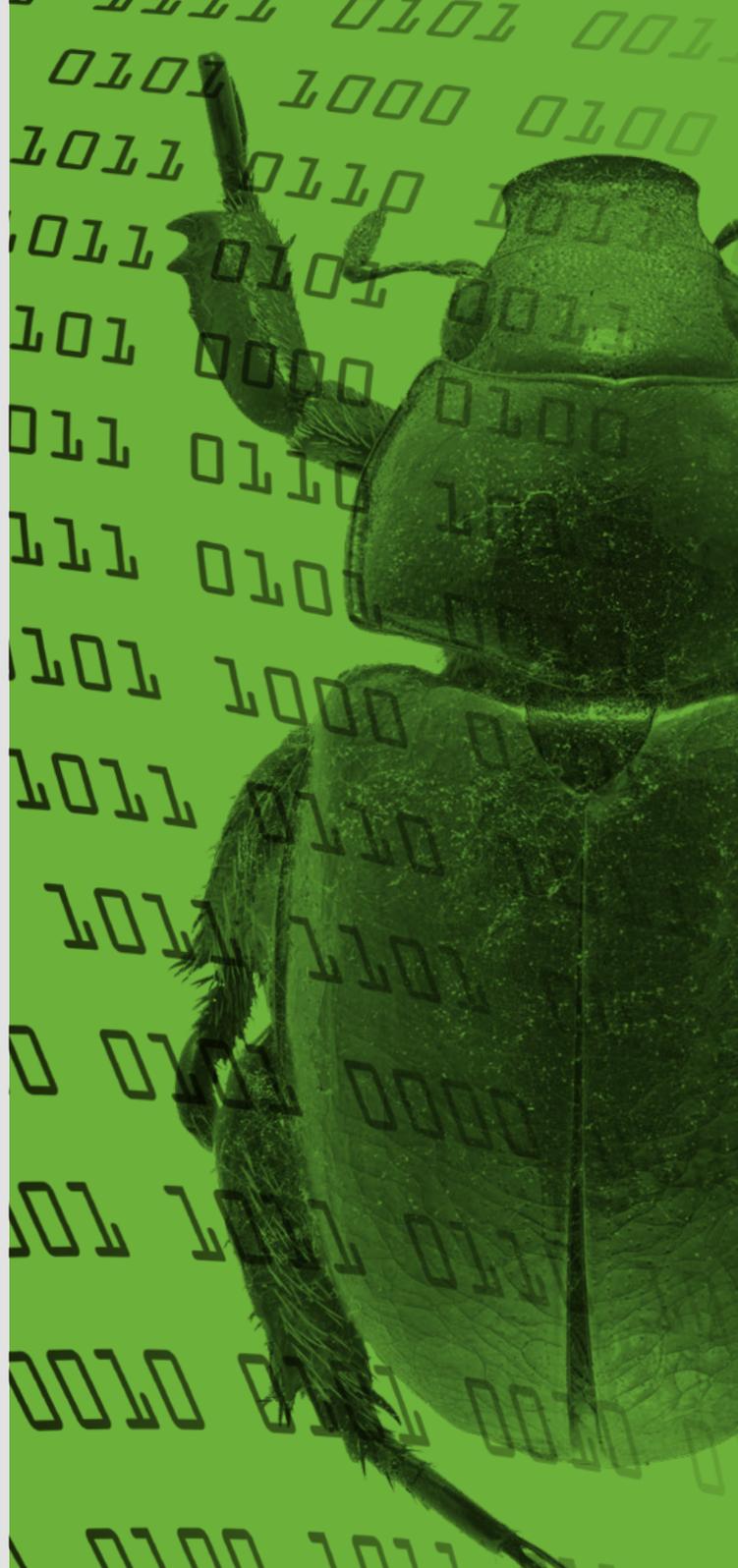
April 12, 2024 – September 15, 2024

Digi ... What? –

From the depot to the digital world

Digitization does not stop at the museums door: The Übersee-Museum is also working on digitizing its collections and making them accessible online for everyone. Not an easy task with over 1 million objects in the natural history department alone! This important work is mostly hidden and hardly noticed by the public. With the cabinet exhibition “Digi ... What?” the Übersee-Museum is making its collection work visible and invites visitors to look behind the scenes. At set times, natural history objects are digitized live in the exhibit. At the same time, the public can engage in conversation with the staff. How does the digitization of the objects work? What equipment and technologies are used? What challenges do the employees face and where are the opportunities for the daily museum work? What will the museum of the future look like? Visitors can get to the bottom of these questions and marvel at the first results of digitization at an explorative media table.

The digitization of the natural history collections of the Übersee-Museum is made possible by the funding program “Investments for national cultural institutions in Germany” (Invest Deutschland) and the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen.





Meeting & Celebrating at the Übersee-Museum

Are you planning a conference, a celebration or an exclusive corporate event? The Übersee-Museum combines impressive architecture and exhibitions to create an ambience that offers both diverse and unusual possibilities for events of all kinds. In addition to the event rooms, you can also rent the exhibition areas, as well as the foyer for your event. Just contact us!

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Do you want to become our friend?

It is the origin of the Übersee-Museum: the commitment of citizens. "The Friends of the Übersee-Museum e.V." offers interested people the opportunity to get involved with the museum and its projects. Members of the Friends of the Übersee-Museum have free admission to the exhibitions and receive personal invitations to exhibition openings.

Overview of annual membership fees

Individuals 45,- €
Pupils, students 25,- € (with proof)
Families 60,- €
Companies 100,- € (maximum 2 persons)

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Information

Admission prices

Adults

Permanent and special exhibition 13,50 € / reduced 6,75 €

Special exhibition 9,- € / reduced 4,50 €

Children up to and including 5 years of age receive free admission. All reductions can be found on our website.

Annual tickets

Adults	52,- €
Students	26,- €
Senior citizens	46,80 €
Family (2 adults and 2 children)	60,- €

Holders of the annual ticket can bring one additional person with them free of charge when visiting the museum. This does not apply for the family annual ticket.

Opening hours

Tue to Fri 9 am – 6 pm / Sat + Sun 10 am – 6 pm
Closed Mon

From April 30, 2024:

Tue to Fri 9 am – 5 pm / Sat + Sun 10 am – 5 pm

During the Bremen school vacations: Tue to Sun 10 am – 5 pm

Opening hours on public holidays can be found on the website.



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